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FOR EDMONDSON FROM MOOSE, CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MNUC, PARM, PORG, UNSC, SF

SUBJECT: SOUTH AFRICAN NUCLEAR PROBLEM

REF: CAPE TOWN 732

1. IN VIEW REFTTEL (BEING REPEATED), I BELIEVE THAT YOU
SHOULD MENTION THE SOUTH AFRICAN NUCLEAR PROBLEM TO
FOURIE IN PRETORIA, ALONG THE LINES OF THE BRIEFING
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PAPER PREPARED FOR THE SECRETARY'S STOP THERE.

2. I SUGGEST THAT THE THIRD TALKING POINT IN THE BRIEF-
ING PAPER BE AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

-- IF YOU CAN TELL US, ON THE BASIS THE PROPOSALS WE
PRESENTED, THAT YOU ARE PREPARED SERIOUSLY TO CONSIDER

AD;ERING TO THE NPT AND ADOPTING INTERIM SAFEGUARDS AT VALINDABA, AMBASSADOR SMITH WOULD BE PREPARED TO MEET WITH YOU FOR TALKS ON THIS AND THE FULL RANGE OF NUCLEAR QUESTIONS.

3. I ALSO BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL TALKING POINT TO ADDRESS FOURIE'S EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT NUCLEAR FUEL SUPPLY AND SAFEGUARD ARRANGEMENTS WOULD EASILY BE VOIDED BY UNSC ACTION WHICH WESTERN POWERS MIGHT BE UNABLE TO OPPOSE. I WOULD SUGGEST A POINT ALONG THE FOLLOWING LINES:

-- IF IT IS CLEAR THAT SOUTH AFRICA IS PREPARED TO ADHERE TO THE NPT AND TO ADOPT SAFEGUARDS AT VALINDABA, I BELIEVE THAT WE CAN RESPOND TO YOUR CONCERN THAT THE SECURITY COUNCIL MIGHT UNDERCUT RECIPROCAL ASSURANCES ON OUR PART.

4. FINALLY, I ENDORSE BILL BOWDLER'S SUGGESTION FOR A FIVE POWER DEMARCHE (PARA 3 REFTTEL) WHICH WE WILL ORGANIZE ON THE BASIS OF THE OUTCOME OF THE DISCUSSIONS IN PRETORIA THIS WEEKEND. FOR FURTHER BACKGROUND ON THE SECURITY COUNCIL SITUATION, I AM REPEATING TO YOU STATE 92273. CHRISTOPHER

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